

A JOURNAL OF WESTERN OKLAHOMA  
WESTVIEW



---

Volume 24  
Issue 2 Spring/Summer

---

Article 13

6-15-2005

## All Hallow's Eve

Susan Thomas

Follow this and additional works at: <https://dc.swosu.edu/westview>



Part of the [Fiction Commons](#), [Nonfiction Commons](#), [Photography Commons](#), and the [Poetry Commons](#)

---

### Recommended Citation

Thomas, Susan (2005) "All Hallow's Eve," *Westview*: Vol. 24 : Iss. 2 , Article 13.  
Available at: <https://dc.swosu.edu/westview/vol24/iss2/13>

This Poetry is brought to you for free and open access by the Journals at SWOSU Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in Westview by an authorized administrator of SWOSU Digital Commons. For more information, please contact [phillip.fitzsimmons@swosu.edu](mailto:phillip.fitzsimmons@swosu.edu).



# All Hallow's Eve

by Susan Thomas

When the sky pulls  
layers of gray blankets  
overhead and dead things  
leave stalks in every field,  
the moon rises white as ice  
and slides across the sky.

We build fires to watch their sparks  
take off through empty spaces  
the living leave behind.  
Trees shrug themselves  
bare in the wind.

Only the tamarack stands  
dressed in brooding gold,  
an owl in its branches,  
screaming into the night.

